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"dare not wait upon I would" has never "conquered a position nor retained it for either men or nations." These words, uttered with unusual solemnity, as a farewell warning to the citizens of Hongkong, are pregnant with meaning, and should be constantly and actively borne in mind. They must not be dismissed as merely part of a valedictory speech; they are a fateful and timely reminder of the golden opportunity, now within our reach, but which, if neglected, may prove the most disastrous omission in the history of the Colony.

The project of a railway to connect the Kowloon peninsula with the city of Canton is now quite an old one. It was first seriously talked about some sixteen years ago, and a Chinese syndicate was two or three years later, in 1889 (if we remember aright), formed to obtain the concession for its construction. After much trouble His Excellency the then Viceroy of the Two Kwang approved the scheme and strongly recommended it to the Imperial Government at Peking, but for some reason—probably sufficient palm-oil had not been dispensed—it never received the Imperial sanction. A survey was made, however, and an official document, of which a translation was published in our columns, was issued, giving the route it would take. The Kowloon terminus was to be at Sam-shui-po, at that time on the Chinese frontier; thence it was to be carried to Sham-chun, Po-kak, and Shih-lung, passing through Tang-tau-hia and Ching-ping. From Shih-lung or Shek-loong it was to cross the river at Niu Shek-tong, go on through the Liang family's village, Tang-ha, Tung-chung-tan, and Shih-ts'an, where it would again cross the river to Ta-tun-ts'an and Sinkai. From thence, passing to the back of Sin-tung, it would come out on the river and enter the Pwan-yu district at Nan-kang. From there, passing to the back of the Polo Temple and the Niushan Batteries, it would reach Wuying, a market town, from which place it would be carried across the Sze-pai-ki to the south-east corner of the city of Canton, having its terminus at the Tientsin Matow, the official wharf. The total length of this line was said to be 380 li, or about 127 miles. Foreigners were not to be allowed to hold shares in the undertaking, which was to be owned and managed by Chinese only. A wave of reactionary feeling having set in at the capital, the question of railway construction was hung up altogether for several years, and nothing further was attempted in this direction for some time.

The next move was made near the end of the nineteenth century by foreign Syndicates, and in 1898, after lengthy negotiations, concessions were granted by the Imperial Government at Peking to various syndicates to construct railways. The Belgian-American syndicate obtained the right to make the railway from Hankow to Canton, and a British syndicate secured in September of that year the concession to construct a line from Canton to Kowloon.

Beyond making the preliminary survey, and procuring reports and estimates, nothing has been done by this syndicate towards carrying their concession into effect. More than five years have elapsed, and while work on the Hankow-Canton section is progressing steadily, not a single sod has been turned of the line to connect it with its western terminus. The fact is being brought ominously home to us, and the recent completion of the first section of another line from Canton to Samshui has painfully emphasised our backwardness in this great work of opening up South China. The line, it is true, presents some natural difficulties, but these are easily surmountable by engineering science, and were well known when the concession was applied for: They certainly are not of a character to daunt any enterprising constructors, nor is the amount of capital required at all calculated to frighten financiers. It is estimated that the total cost of the line will not greatly exceed a million sterling, and this ought to be readily obtainable in London. If the present syndicate are shy of the undertaking, fearing lest it should not at first yield a good interest on outlay, we make no doubt the Imperial Government, or the Colonial Government, with the sanction and assistance of Downing Street, will come to the rescue either with the promise of a subsidy or guarantee, or will take over the work altogether, seeing its immense importance to this great naval depot and centre of commerce. What Russia has done for the Trans-Siberian Railway, Germany for the railways in Shantung, for the benefit of Kiao-chau, and France for the sake of connecting Tonkin ports by rail with the Yunnan frontier, Great Britain can surely do for the maintenance of the third port in the Empire, its one stronghold in the Far East. But in any case the railway must be made.

The German mail steamer *Koenig Albert* is due here to-day at daylight. She brings Prince Adalbert of Prussia (a younger son of Kaiser Wilhelm), who has received orders to join H.H.G.M.S. *Hertha* on the 27th November in Hongkong. H.R.H. will disembark during the next two years on this station.

The subscription series of recitals of Shakespeare's plays to be given in the Théâtre Royal by Mr. and Mrs. Hannibal Williams will occur on the evenings of the 4th and 8th December.

Romeo and Juliet will be interpreted by Mrs. Williams at 9 o'clock on Friday, the 4th prox., and on the following Tuesday, the 8th prox., *King Henry IV* (Part I) will be given by Mr. Williams.

The construction of the new Kowloon water-works, we hear, was likely to affect the water supply of the Hongkong Steam Water Boat Co., Ltd (whose annual report appears in another column), but Mr. J. W. Kew, the general manager, has arranged with the Government for five streams to be conserved for the supply of the Company's tanks, situated beyond Laibok.

The Chinese Government is reported to have consented to the establishment of a German Government Agent in Chinatown, Shanghai, whose power will be equal to that of a Consul. Matters affecting German interest in that region will be subject to this agent, whose establishment in China has been due to the near completion of the German railway between that city and Kiao-chou.

The *Japan Mail* writes:—If Russia has any honest intention of averting the calamity of war, it is time that she spoke definitely. She is playing with fire at present, and although she thinks perhaps that to extinguish the flames speedily if they break out is within the compass of her great power, we give her Emperor the credit of being a peace-lover, and we believe that many of her wisest patriots have no desire to force Japan's hand. The whole responsibility rests with her, and her perpetual procrastination is creating a situation intolerable to all nations in the Far East. She has some obligations to discharge besides those dictated by her spirit of imperialism.

Mr. Henry Mountain, of Woodville House, Hounslow, who died in September last, left estate valued at £24,691 19s. gross, including £21,479 19s. in net personalty. The testator, after bequeathing £4,100 to various institutions, gave £1,000 each to Lillian Blanche, wife of Mr. John B. Cameron, of Shanghai, and Kate Louis, wife of Mr. Arthur K. Cradock, of Hankow, China; £500 to his nephew, James Mountain Patterson; £100 to Mr. Petyl; £100 to Mr. W. G. Lowe, of Ealing; and to his wife £100, his freehold house (Woodville), and his household and personal effects; and he left the residue of his property to Mrs. Mountain and Mr. Petyl in equal shares.

The Tokyo correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* says that the Korean Government was on the point of declaring Yonam-p'o an open port, when M. Pavloff, the Russian Minister, made a strenuous protest and caused the Government to postpone the declaration.

The *P. and T. Times* says:—"When the Russians entered Mukden and turned the Tartar General and other officials out of their yamens, the Tartar General attempted to commit suicide by swallowing gold, but was restrained by his friends." It was evidently not Russian gold.

L'Echo de Chine says that the English papers which announce the rupture of relations between France and Siam are mistaken. However, if Siam refuses (to) to continue negotiations in reference to the treaty of 1892, the régime of the treaty of 1893 will come in force again. The dining-room of this is rather shocking.

The revenue from the alone in three of the four Federated Malay States only, during the first nine months of this year has been stated at something approaching seven and a quarter million dollars. Yet, says the *Straits Times*, though there is so much money to draw upon, many of the Government departments are undermanned.

According to *L'Echo de Chine*, M. Brunat, Chairman of the French Municipal Council at Shanghai, while recently in France, succeeded in effecting a loan of three million francs, (£120,000) for the French Council. This will enable it to pay off the advances it has received from local banks at local rates of interest, the repayment of which these banks have been constantly urging. The new loan has been obtained from the Banque de l'Indo-Chine, and the Commercial, Industrial, and Colonial Bank of Lyons.

Although he has a pretty respectable force with him at present, drawn from the various central provinces, says the *N.C. Daily News*, H.E. Viceroy Shum still finds the strength of his army insufficient to surround the malcontents of Kwangsi in their special districts. H.E. has, according to a Foochow despatch, therefore, also obtained from the high authorities of Fukien province the loan of a brigade of modern-armed troops from the Foochow garrison, which left that city for Canton a few days ago in one of the Government transports. It is also related that Viceroy Shum asked from the Chekiang provincial authorities a brigade of their best troops, but that owing to the Manchurian crisis the request was declined.

The way in which a paper with the greatest of reputations may be led astray by a telegram is shown in the leading article of the *Times* in the "Peking plot" story. The *Times* remarks therein:—"There was a certain fiendish humour in the idea which must have been particularly pleasant to the Oriental sense of fun. The bill afforded an admirable opportunity for the execution of the design. . . . The disappointment of the plotters in failing to perpetrate a hideous butchery of the hated foreigner can hardly have been altered for by the partial success of another portion of their scheme" (the carrying away of the breechblock and sights of the 47 gun). However, the *Times* partly guards itself by the remark that it is just possible that the mysterious discoveries at the Peking Legation were meant to be discovered, and were merely intended as an aduocia test at our expense.

The *Mainichi* publishes the following telegram dated Peking, 13th November:—The Russian Minister to Peking has notified the Chinese Government that Russia cannot consent to transfer the quarantine arrangements at Newchwang, as it must remain in Russian control.

As to the evacuation of Manchuria, negotiations therewith will shortly be resumed, but as to the transfer of the control of the quarantine arrangements at Newchwang to China, Russia will never consent to it. It is therefore believed in Peking that Russia intends to adopt strict measures with vessels entering and clearing from Newchwang, her object being to transfer the business of the port to Dalny. It is further believed that Russia intends to influence the negotiations at Tokyo by the reopening of the Newchwang quarantine question at the present moment.

The first sitting of the International Conference on regulations to combat plague and cholera in Europe and the East was held in Paris on the 10th ult at the Ministry of the Interior, under the presidency of M. Delcasse. The English delegates are Mr. Maurice de Bunsen, Minister Plenipotentiary and First Secretary at the British Embassy in Paris; Dr. T. Thomson, of the Local Government Board; Mr. Albar, of the Consular Service; Dr. C. A. British representative on the Constantinople Sanitary Board; and Colonel Richardson, representing the Indian Government, now of the Army Medical Service. After the Foreign Minister had welcomed the delegates of the twenty-five European, American, Asiatic, and African States who are participating in the conference, M. Barrois, the French Ambassador at the Quirinal, who had been unanimously elected president, explained the programme of the conference, after which the assembly adjourned until the following Monday.

FOOTBALL

This afternoon, on the Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club "A" Team will play the R.G.A. Reserves. Kick-off at half-past four sharp. The following will play for the Club:—A. N. Other, goal; H. C. Austin and A. N. Other, backs; R. H. Craig, L. C. Rees, and C. T. Kew, halves; A. O. Brown, C. Humphreys, C. H. S. Cooper, S. Moore, and A. J. Darby, forwards.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

London, 24th Nov.

OBITUARY.

DEATH OF BLUNDELL MAPLE.

Sir J. Blundell Maple dead: The following is the account of the late baronet from Whittaker:—1st Bt.; cr. 1897; Governor of Maple and Co., upholsterers; M.P. Dulwich Division, Camberwell, since 1887; b. 1845; m. Emily, d. of M. Morryweather, 1874; Educ. King's Coll. London. His only child married Baron von Eckhardtstein of the German Embassy.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE KING OF ITALY.

LONDON, 22nd November. The King and Queen of Italy have left Portsmouth for Rome after a most successful visit, socially and politically.

THE TRANSVAAL LABOUR COMMISSION.

LONDON, 22nd November. The report of the Transvaal Labour Commission says that the total shortage of labour in the Transvaal is 24,000, including the shortage for the mining industries of 130,000. It is expected that the Transvaal Council will be invited to pass an ordinance in favour of importing alien labour.

THE TSARINA'S HEALTH.

LONDON, 22nd November. Recent bulletins show that the Tsarina is still suffering much, but maintains her strength. An official bulletin at S. Petersburg, reported last week, announced that the Tsarina was suffering from inflammation in the middle of the ear.—*Ep. D.P.*

COLOMBIA AND THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, 22nd November. The President of Colombia, in an address to the American people, expresses his confidence that they will not permit violation of treaties, although President Roosevelt is committed to Panama. He also appeals to Venezuela for moral assistance.

FIRE IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

It was reported by the police yesterday that about 11 o'clock on the previous night a fire occurred at No. 132, Queen's Road East, premises used as a medicine-shop and shoe-shop. The Fire Brigade turned out under Mr. P. P. J. Weddell, Assistant-Superintendent of Police. A plentiful supply of water was got from the street hydrants, and though the fire had obtained a good hold on the building in which it originated and was spreading to the adjoining houses on each side before the Brigade arrived, it was not long before the flames were subdued. Ten hoses played on the flames. No. 132 was gutted. The outbreak originated on the ground floor. No. 130, an eating-house on the west, was badly damaged, No. 134 on the east was also badly burned. The ground floor of No. 132, in which the conflagration started, was insured for \$4,500 and the top floor of the two houses adjoining (which were used by the same occupier) for \$4,700. Sergeant R. Macdonald was the engineer in charge of the Brigade.

LICENSING SESSIONS.

The Justices of the Peace assembled at the Magistracy at 2.15 p.m. yesterday to consider an application for a publican's licence, and three applications for adjunct licences. Mr. J. H. Kemp presided. The Justices present were Captain F. W. Lyons (Acting Captain Superintendent of Police), Messrs. F. Browne, G. T. Veitch, A. Shelton Horner, D. Clark, R. H. Craig, and C. A. D. Melbourne.

James D. M. Cameron applied for a publican's licence in respect of the "Occidental Hotel," at 89, Elgin Road, Kowloon. Mr. Kemp, saying there were no police objections, and that the names of the householders were acceptable, moved the application be granted, and this was agreed to.

George James Clarke, of the "Connaught Hotel," Queen's Road Central applied for an adjunct licence. Included in the names of the householders was that of Chan A Fook, of Messrs. Watkins and Co. Mr. Shelton Horner asked if Messrs. Watkins supplied liquor to the applicant. Both Mr. Clarke and Mr. Chan A Fook were absent. Mr. Shelton Horner said he thought they ought to treat the application in the same way as those at the Annual Sessions of the Justice; it was great disrespect to the Justices to be asked to consider the application when the applicant did not attend. Mr. Clarke then walked in, and, in answer to Mr. Kemp, said that Messrs. Watkins and Company did not supply liquor to the applicants. A proposal that the application be granted was agreed to.

Richard Francis Daly, "Oyster Bar and Restaurant," 51 Des Voeux Road, applied for an adjunct licence. Mr. Kemp read a portion of a letter from Mr. L. Comar, who objected to the licence being granted, saying the increased opposition would injure his business. After considering the matter in private Mr. Daly called in and told that the Justices had decided to refuse his application. Mr. Daly explained that he had to lend to another hotel daily liquor for his guests; he was money out of pocket by it. He had been manager of the Kowloon Hotel for some three years. It was explained to him that the application for the licence was not refused on account of the character of his house or himself, but on account of the locality; on the ground, in fact, that the house was not necessary.

John Anderson, of the "Happy Valley Retreat Restaurant," withdrew his application for an adjunct licence. The steamer still burning when abandoned.

THE NEW KING'S PARK AT KOWLOON.

A WAR DEPARTMENT OBSTRUCTION.

The laying out of King's Park, Kowloon, is "hanging fire" on account of the War Department stubbornly refusing to accept a fair offer from the Colonial Office. Reasonable compensation for relinquishing certain lands in the vicinity of that little hill overlooking Hunghom Bay has been rejected. At the time King's Park was presented to the Colony—when Major-General Sir William Gascoigne was acting as Governor during the absence of Sir Henry Blake—certain boundaries enclosing some 130 acres were drawn out. No one gave a thought to the War Department raising an objection to handing over, for suitable compensation, apparently waste lands. The boundaries were mapped out as follows:—The range of hills running from the Glassworks, Austin Road and the sea, the Police rifle-range, the rifle-butts. Now, however, it is neither decided what extent the park is to cover, nor what lines are to be its boundaries. One would think the War Department is regarding its own side of the question without considering the Colony. It is unwilling to concede for fair terms a piece of property in significant from a strategical point of view.

The reason why this and other questions are not considered for the best interests of the Colony by the Colonial Office and War Department conjointly is hard to say. If the action of the War Department is persisted in, it will not only greatly depreciate the concession as a park, but it may continue to retard the progress of the laying out for a considerable time.

A new road, connecting Yaumati and Hunghom, is being constructed through the park. A large number of coolies and load-carriers had been noticed crossing the fields between Yaumati and Hunghom, so when the park was decided on an artery was deemed necessary. The Public Works Department have the work well in hand, the course being already cut out. It is being so arranged that the beauty of the park will be interfered with as little as possible. The road will make it practically impossible to close in the park, so, more probably, the park will be surrounded by a simple boundary. This arrangement will necessitate a staff of keepers to relieve each other on day and night watches. Still, however, the fact of the park being open is unlikely to make extraordinary vigilance necessary; the Botanical Gardens here are only surrounded by an easily surmountable railing, yet the valuable shrubs, etc., are never destroyed or stolen at night time. A large nullah of masonry and concrete is being constructed on the north side of the road. It will replace that malodorous, stream of stagnant pools so annoying to passers-by in that vicinity. Draining and levelling work is being carried on in various directions. The road itself will be on the level. Its width will be 100 feet; the centre only, however, will be metalled with granite. By this new thoroughfare Hongkong and Hunghom will be brought much nearer each other. It will be finished in a few months.

All kinds of measures are to be taken for the promotion of sport. There will probably be cricket, football, hockey, polo, and tennis grounds. The Bowling Club at present hold a position on the site of the new park. It is hardly possible to turn them out; nobody, anyway, would desire to do so. A bowling green, moreover, would be practicable unless run by a club. An idea favourably received by those interested in the construction of the park is that a bicycle track should be constructed around the football and cricket fields. Such a thing has in many instances been found a great success at home. The question is whether coolies in these parts take great interest in cycling. Cycling races, no doubt, would be an attractive feature at various annual sports. With all these facilities for taking exercise there must certainly be some place provided for the purchase of light refreshments. A good idea would be to erect a pavilion; the right of selling refreshments could be let by tender. Carriage-drives are to be constructed through the prettiest parts of the park. The beauty of the grounds will be greatly promoted by shrubberies and flower beds. What is to be done about water is hard to say.

Water certainly is a very essential thing for gardening purposes. A fountain and pond would greatly add to the attractiveness of the scenery. Then again there are all kinds of objections raised on the grounds of still water breeding mosquitoes. How this question is to be settled it is hard to say. Large tracts of open space will be

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CHAPTER XXV.

THE END OF THE STORY.

"We sailed for Bahia," Augustus continued
to read, "and all went well enough with us on
board the 'Promised Land' until we were off
Cape Horn. Meanwhile, Furness and I had
got nearly as intimate as we should be.
We had known each other for ten years. We
shared the same cabin, which, since the ship was
nearly as large as a house, was large and roomy,
and every day, for several hours, Furness
practised his sleight of hand in manipulating
the cards, and did it so well now that, although
I watched him like a lynx, I could scarcely ever
catch him out in a single instance."

"If they have got any money in Bahia,"

I used to say to him in a whisper (for the cabin
was all close together, and persons in one of
them could hear others talking in the next),
"we ought to capture it all. I hope they have
got plenty."

"Never fear. I have every information. It
is a seaport city full of enormously wealthy
people, merchants and so forth, and with
hundreds of persons coming into and going out
of it daily. It is also full of clubs where they
gamble all night long, at faro, keno, and
baccarat, and, as you know, the man who takes
the bank wins! That is with luck corrected
by judgment. Therefore we shall win!"

"But as you know now, Mark Furness was
not to win a cent in Bahia, or even to get along
in that city, and I grew old and desperate. The man who
went in to Jacksonville Gaol—one who was not
much more than a rascally card-sharper down
on his luck and ready for any fraud—came out
one who was now ready for anything that
would enable him to live. And since I had
never expected to come out of prison again,
I was indifferent to what I did, short of killing
another man and getting hung for it. If even I
got a lifer again I was no worse off than before."

"They gave me back my things when I did
come out; my old clothes—which started me
when I looked at them again; my pocket-book
which had been Furness's, and which I did not
remember the colour of, and also its remaining
contents, part of which were about fifteen
hundred dollars in notes, two or three twenty
dollar gold pieces, &c. And also, Furness's
photograph, the marriage certificate, and so on.

"Then my scheme of what I might do if ever I
got free, which had matured all the time I was
in prison, came back to me in full force, though
as a matter of fact, it had never been out of my
mind. Now, I set about putting that scheme
into practice.

"I got nearly three hundred pounds in ex-

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YEARLY MEETING.

The third ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held at the Company's Office, 37, Connaught Road Central, yesterday. Those present were:—Mr. Chau Siu Ki (chairman), Capt. Clark, Messrs. J. A. Carvalho, Chin Chung How, Kwan Fong Kuk, Tam Hing Po, and J. W. Key (manager).

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen.—The report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will with your permission take them as read. I can hardly add anything to the report and have no doubt that the figures must commend themselves to you, and I hope that our current year will be at least equally as good. The new boat which has been added to our fleet has been in service only three months, so that in consequence of this addition, I have every reason to expect that our next balance sheet will show even better results. You will also have observed from this report, that we have continued the policy of writing down the Company's property, and good-will in particular, which I think proves the soundness of our concern, as it is not often nor can it be expected that a Company can practically wipe out the item under this head in the third year of its existence. With these few remarks, I will move the adoption of the report and accounts, but before doing so, I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

There were no questions.

The CHAIRMAN proposed that the report and accounts be adopted and passed.

Mr. CHIN CHUNG HOW seconded, and the motion was carried.

Capt. CLARK proposed, and Mr. J. A. CARVALHO seconded, that Mr. Chau Siu Ki be re-elected to this committee.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. TAM HING PO proposed that Mr. FRANCISCO TSE YAT be invited to fill the vacancy on the committee caused by the retirement of Mr. Liu Tse San.

Mr. KWAN FONG KUK seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

On the motion of the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. J. W. KEY, Mr. W. Hutton Potts was re-elected auditor.

The CHAIRMAN—Dividend warrants will be issued to-morrow, and shareholders are requested to apply at the office for same. Gentlemen, I thank you for your attendance.

Capt. CLARK proposed a vote of thanks to the general manager and the consulting committee for the satisfactory manner in which the accounts had been drawn up and the business carried on during the past year. (Hear, hear).

Mr. KEY acknowledged the vote of thanks, and the meeting ended.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, 24th November.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

STOWAWAYS.

Five Chinamen were charged with stowing themselves away on board the s.s. *Lieu Kai* at Singapore, and thereby obtaining passage to Hongkong, without the permission of the captain or owner of that steamer. They were sent to 14 days' hard labour.

Three other Chinamen were charged with a similar offence on board the s.s. *Shanwei Maru*, from Foochow, and also sent to 14 days' hard labour.

TRESPASSING.

Five Chinese, late employees of the Cotton Mills, were charged with trespassing on the premises of the Cotton Mills, against the orders of the proprietors, and refusing to leave when ordered to do so. They were fined \$5 each with the alternative of 14 days, and to be exposed in the stocks for 2 hours.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF ARMS.

Tang Lung, a cabin-boy on the s.s. *Siberia*, was found in possession of a revolver, for which he could give no satisfactory account, and for which he had no licence. The revolver was confiscated and the boy was fined \$25 or 1 month.

BLACKMAIL.

Lai Fat, a native of Shinkang in the New Territory, who had been "wanted" by the police in that neighbourhood for some time past as a member of a dangerous gang of robbers, was brought up on a charge of having on the 22nd October at Haungshau, near Kowloon City, feloniously demanded from one Luk Fung Ho \$30.

It appeared that this man and another entered the defendant's shop and threatened that if \$30 blackmail were not paid the shop would be robbed the following night by a gang of robbers. Frightened by the threat the shopman gave the blackmailers \$4.

From information received Sergeant Gordon, of Kowloon City Police Station, arrested the defendant on board a junk at Shaukiwan.

His Worship sentenced the prisoner to two months' hard labour and four hours in the stocks.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KENT (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

SELLING LOTTERY TICKETS.

Tsang Shui and two charges against him, the first being that he did trespass on board the s.s. *Barrowong*, and, second, that while so trespassing he did unlawfully deal, and attempt to deal in tickets for the Macao lottery. For unlawfully dealing in lottery tickets he was given two months' hard labour and for the trespass a fine of \$10, or another 14 days' imprisonment.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

The barometer has risen over NE. Japan; fallen over China, particularly in the North.

The anticyclone still covers China and Japan. Gradients are decreasing and the monsoon is moderating along the China coast, but continues to blow strongly over the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate NE. winds; fine.

THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

FROM OUR PORT ARTHUR CORRESPONDENT.

Port Arthur, 8th November.

A PEACEFUL OUTLOOK.

Things have quieted down very much here, and I am glad to say that a peaceful issue of the Manchurian complication may now be expected. There is not much activity in naval and military circles, and various steps that have been taken by the authorities seem to indicate that, in their opinion peace is assured. But I suppose we cannot say "all's well" until the Japanese are of the same way of thinking. The Port Arthur paper of Sunday last contained the following leading article on this subject. As will be seen, the writer begins by expressing his surprise that Admiral Alexeiff has been taken for a jingo, and goes on to say that he is no such thing, that he is the representative of the Tsar, which is the same thing as saying that he is in favour of peace. He points out that the Viceroy is not, any the more, a man of the peace-at-any-price sort. If war is necessary he will not shrink from it, but will embark on it with vigour and resolution. Russia is then represented as being in favour of the opening of Manchuria to foreign trade, so long as her own interests are safeguarded, and as not objecting in the least to Japanese emigration to the peninsula of Korea, so long as the independence of Korea is not menaced. Relying between the lines, and relying on other sources of information, I believe that the idea is to interfere with Japanese operations in Korea as little as possible, and to satisfy the demands of foreign trade in Manchuria as much as possible; though not, I am afraid, to such an extent as the average foreign trader wishes. Meanwhile a tight hold will be kept on Manchuria; in fact I cannot believe that the Russians will ever relax their grip on the three provinces in the way some Japanese and English publicists imagine. They believe, rightly or wrongly, that if they allow the practical sovereignty of Manchuria, which they now possess to pass out of their grasp, Port Arthur and Dairei will remain on their hands dry and withered memorials of blighted hopes, like trees whose roots have been cut away. They believe that the Manchurian railway will lose half its *raison d'être* and more than half its prosperity. They believe that the restless activity, commercial and political, of the Englishmen and the Japanese, combined with the astounding business genius of the Americans will make of Manchuria a busy hive of industry in which the English tongue will be the *lingua franca*, and in which the infrequent Russian trader will be stared at as an unknown and mysterious visitor, while the Russian troops will be left perched high and dry on the bleak rocks of Linotang like S. Simon on his pillar, nobody caring in the least whether they were or come down. Such is the fate with the Russians, believe they would be threatened by the flooding of Manchuria with traders other than their own, and sooner than submit to such a fate and be laughed at for centuries hence by the Chinese and the world, generally for their enormous and unremunerative outlay in Manchuria, and especially at Dairei and Port Arthur, they would, I believe, be prepared to see extreme measures taken for their own.

I need not point out, however, that the Russians are mistaken if they imagine that any foreign nation wishes to see them deprived of the fruit of their vast labours in Manchuria or that a via media may not be found. There is also another side to the picture they draw of the irresistible Anglo-Saxon advance, and that is the irresistible Muscovite advance; but this side of the question has often been presented in your columns by able pens than mine.

THE "NOVI KRAI" ADVOCATES PEACE.

The redoubtable *Novi Krai* has, then, come forward with the olive branch in its hand and asks in a gentle voice, expressive of pained surprise, what all that noise is about, why those rude, warlike elements? That is the latest development. The Port Arthur journal begins its leading article on the Manchurian question with a quotation from the *Chao Shihmen* to the following effect:—"The Emperor of Russia has now organised in the Far East a special form of government, calculated to develop Russian business and commercial interests. In our opinion this step dissipates the phantom of war and contributes to the maintenance of peace."

The *Novi Krai* continues us follows:—"This esteemed organ of the Japanese Press is undoubtedly right, and it is a great consolation to us to be able to cite its testimony on this subject in view of the fact that the Japanese Press seems to be generally convinced that the Viceroy of the Far East belongs to the War party in Russia and that his appointment to his present position means the triumph of that party. This opinion is of course absurd. As the *Novoe Vremya* rightly pointed out when dealing with the establishment of the Viceroy, the city of Chao Shihmen was carrying out a plan previously drawn up by the Russian Tsar, and care for the preservation of peace is the principal problem of his viceroyalty."

ADRIEFF A FRIEND TO PEACE.

"It must not be forgotten, on the other hand, that there cannot be the least doubt that the choice of His Majesty, at such a difficult moment in the political life of the Russian Far East, has fallen on a man who has shown in his past career as a ruler of distant possessions of Russia, that he possesses a firm, well-defined grasp of the rôle which Russia has to play here, and the ability of keeping his Majesty constantly informed of the condition of things out here. There is in this idea the nature of the Viceroyality a great difference to what the *Novoe Vremya* says further, but we agree with that paper when it remarks that the important question is 'in whose hands will be the immediate control of Russia's policy on the shores of the Pacific?'. The clear result of the policy—that is, of the policy of having some strong personality to whom the Chinese can appeal for redress—is seen in the fact that we have got a permanent policy in the Far East. That policy has also given birth to that now colourless question, the evacuation of Manchuria; and the Japanese are right, a thousand times right, when they recognise in Adrieff—General Alexeiff a man who has a great influence on our policy here, not because of course that he belongs to the war party, but because that he, in virtue of the power given to him, knows when it is possible, so long as he does not compromise the dignity and the prestige of Russia and of her Imperial ruler, to make concessions for the sake of peace to the interests of other Powers. We have now

reached a moment when all the Powers, and particularly ourselves and the Japanese, pay great attention to their interests in this part of the world. So soon as the negotiations will dislodge the phantom of war. Although not much light is thrown by the Press on the Russo-Japan negotiations, there is no doubt that the situation is now easier. Russia will not surrender her interests in Manchuria, but she will not hinder the development of the business and commercial interests of other Powers at the moment when the negotiations of the Russians with the Chinese have been brought to a conclusion."

J. P. A.

The *Eastern World* of Yokohama has an article on the subject of Japanese emigration to Korea, in which it shows that Korea is not necessary at all as a field for Japanese emigration, a large part of the land in Japan itself may remain unoccupied. However that may be, Russia will not hinder Japanese emigration to Korea, but Russia cannot, in the other hand, allow Japan to place obstacles in the way of Russian trade in Korea or anywhere else. The *Nordesti* and the Siberian *Vedomosti* speak in a similar strain. The relations of the other Powers in the Far East will also be more clearly defined. The mask has fallen. The fact that the United States is acting with Japan is clear. Germany is trying to make trouble between Russia and England. Eng. maintains a correct neutrality and warns Japan to keep out of trouble, and the English Press, as represented by that able journal, the *Spectator*, says that an alliance between England and Russia is desirable. The cards are seen. The play will now

begin.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

VIA JAPAN AND SHANGHAI.

THE FAR EAST.

London, 9th November.

The Vienna rumour that Germany had pledged herself to support Russia in the Far East in the event of war involving Britain's appearance in the field is authoritatively contradicted.

London, 11th November.

An influential section of the British Press regards Premier Halfford's optimistic speech in the course of his speech at the Mansion House banquet on Monday last concerning the pacific character of the Tsar's statements as altogether misplaced; because, it is pointed out, the Ministers control the policy of Russia, and not the Tsar. Public opinion in this country inclines to the belief that Russia is purposely provoking Japan.

London, 12th November.

In regard to Moukien, the *Sent* (S. Petersburg) declares that the reoccupation of the city signified Russia's answer to the challenge of the United States respecting the opening of the place to the world's trade.

Tokyo, 19th November.

The Emperor returned to Tokyo this afternoon. Before H.M. entered the palace, a youth of nineteen years attempted to present a direct petition complaining of the Government's temporising attitude in dealing with Russia, but was prevented by the police.—N. C. D. N.

OBTUARY.

London, 9th November.

Lord Rowton is dead.

Berlin, 17th November.

While the Tsar and the Tsarina were returning from Darmstadt to St. Petersburg, Princess Elisabeth of Hesse, the eight-year-old daughter of the Grand Duke of Hesse, who was accompanying them to Russia, died in Skerifovo from diarrhoea and vomiting. The Tsar and the Tsarina accompanied the body of their dead niece to Alexandria.—O. Lloyd.

LONDON, 9th November.

The official estimates of the American cotton crop this season place the total yield at two million bales below last year's production.

THE PANAMA REPUBLIC.

London, 9th November.

A diplomatic representative of the Republic of Panama has arrived at Washington. Negotiations are to begin immediately with a view to securing for the United States Government a perpetual lease of a strip of territory sufficient for the purposes of the Canal.

The British Government has requested the United States Government to supervise the interests of British subjects on the Isthmus.

Berlin, 17th November.

The representatives of the new Republic of Panama applied for a recognition of its independence from the European Ministers accredited in Bogota. The rumour according to which Colombia had decided to resist the new republic with force is baseless.—O. Lloyd.

GERMAN AFRICA.

Berlin, 19th November.

The Germans at Warmbad are still surrounded by the Bondel Zwarts. The other tribes are quiet.—O. Lloyd.

FRANCE BUDGET.

Berlin, 19th November.

The report of the French Budget in regard to foreign affairs is adversely criticised by the French Press, which thinks that they, especially the party referring to Morocco and Siam, are much too feeble. M. Lockroy, the former Secretary of the Navy, took the same view in the Chamber of Deputies, referring, as an example, to Germany, whose action in China and South-West Africa he loudly praised.—O. Lloyd.

Berlin, 19th November.

The Russian Government declares that the *france* in Chenshui was a rather uneventful event, as it was followed by demands of satisfaction from both sides, but did not affect the Tokyo conference.—O. Lloyd.

THE FOOCHOW ARSENAL.

A correspondent at Foochow writes to the *N. C. Daily News*:—Your French contemporary *L'Echo de Chine* accused you recently of publishing "inexact and malicious appreciations" of affairs of the Arsenal, but it could not make any specific charge, because you have only published the actual facts. Here are some more, both very important, from a French as well as a Chinese point of view:—

1.—It is well known that M. Doyère has been relieved of his functions at the Arsenal and replaced by M. Bertrand. The French Councillor of State, who is now very much occupied in carrying out the instructions that come to him from above. The idea seems to be to accede to all M. Doyère's demands, and excuse him from presenting his accounts, fanciful as they may be. Meanwhile the Arsenal is threatened with a demand for damages on the part of the French Compagnie *Asiatique de Navigation*. When this is settled the Chinese may provide themselves with a microscope to discover what they have gained by the Doyère mission.

2.—A French officer on active service is accused officially of sundry breaches of confidence, and of having failed to account for a vessel; not the whole of it, but a great part of it. The French Government does not deny the fact, which is undeniable, but suppresses it, as a small matter to trouble an officer about. Is this likely to encourage the Chinese to do business with the French?

SHIPPING NOTES.

The Douglas s.s. *Hailong* arrived from Swatow yesterday. She had three bags and two boxes of mail, 100 tons of general cargo. Evans reports moderate wind, fine weather.

The Indo-China s.s. *Laisang* arrived from the south on the night before last. She left Calcutta on the 7th, Singapore 17th. She had a mail, 1,100 tons general cargo, one cabin passenger, 800 Chinese deck passengers. The captain reports one death from "heart failure." Light wind, with smooth sea were experienced as far as Paracel Islands to port strong monsoon with rough sea.

The Portuguese gunboat *Dieu* arrived from Macao yesterday. Captain *do Sa* is in command.

The following items are from the P. & T. Times to the 7th inst.—

Vicary Alexioff has posted a mandate in Moukien offering a big reward for the arrest of anyone spreading rumours that Taung Tsiang is advancing against Russians with an army, or any similar reports.

According to native sources, the Customs at Daboy has ceased working, on account of the Russian Commissioner not having carried on the work in accordance with the regulations drawn up by Sir Robert Hart.

The German s.s. *Loewen*—agents Messrs. Siemens and Company—arrived from Shanghai on the afternoon of the 23rd, having left Shanghai on the 10th. She had a mail, 300 tons of general cargo, 16 cabin passengers, 14 Chinese passengers. The China and Manila *Rubi* arrived from Manila yesterday, having left that port on the 21st. She had a mail, two tons of cargo, four cabin passengers, sixty-two Chinese passengers.

The Indo-China s.s. *Hesing* arrived

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3247]

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Various Artistic Designs.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3246]

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No. 5, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong, and

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VASU ANNA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3245]

THEATRE ROYAL.

CITY HALL.

MADAME ROUX AND

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having been requested by the Public, will give
TWO MORE PERFORMANCES,
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Programme:—Velveteen, Spiritualism,
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Extracts from Manila Papers:

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Seats can be booked at Messrs. Campbell, Moore & Co.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3251]



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THE Company's Steamship

"CHINA."

Captain Ivellich, will be despatched as above on

SATURDAY, the 19th December, P.M.

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Princes' Buildings.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3252]

POSTPONEMENT.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"HALLOONG."

Captain Evans, will be despatched for the above port on the 25th inst., at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [3250]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAISE.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND

YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship
"SALAZIE."

Captain Negro, will be despatched for the above ports on or about TUESDAY, the 1st December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3249]

THE EAST ASIATIC COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, PORT ARTHUR,
CHINNAMPO.

THE Danish Steamer
"PRINSESSE MARIE."

Captain Berentzen, will be ready to load on

FRIDAY, the 4th December.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3248]

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PLATED, GLASS AND CROCKERY
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Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [326]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from
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GUN PRACTICE will take place from the
undermentioned Batteries and on the dates as
specified opposite:

Fly Point and Upper Belcher Batteries in a
direction to the South of Chung Hui Island at a
range of about 4,500 yards, on the 25th NOVEMBER, 1903.

Stonecutters South Shore and East Batteries in
a South-Westerly direction at ranges from
2,000 to 3,000 yards, on the 27th NOVEMBER, 1903.

Lyennu (Pak-sha-wan) and Sy-wan Batteries in
the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay at
ranges from 2,000 to 4,000 yards, on the 28th NOVEMBER, 1903.

Practice will commence at 9 A.M. daily, and end about 11 A.M. daily, if the range is clear.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1903. [3207]

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By Command,

A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1903. [3235]

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Catalogues will be issued.

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1903. [3208]

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STEAMERS	DUE
"PELEUS"	On 26th November.
"DARDANUS"	On 5th December.
"YANGTSE"	On 12th December.
"PYRRHUS"	On 24th December.
"TYDEUS"	On 29th December.
"NESTOR"	On 1st January.
"KEEMUN"	On 8th January.

HOMEWARDS.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL
"HYSON"	On 8th December.
"ACHILLES"	On 26th December.
"PROMETHEUS"	On 22nd December.
"DARDANUS"	On 5th January.
"YANGTSE"	On 15th January.
"DIOMED"	On 19th January.

Taking cargo for Liverpool at London rates.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL
"PELEUS"	On 28th November.
"TYDEUS"	On 1st January.
"SAGAMI"	On 5th Jan.
"LENONX"	On 15th Jan.
"AFRIDI"	On 27th Jan.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
LIMITED.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL
"WOOSUNG"	On 25th November.
"SUNGKIANG"	On 25th November.
"CHANGSHA"	On 2nd December.

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R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 27th Jan.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 10th Feb.
R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,425 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 24th Feb.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 9th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPEROR OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons. WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
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Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date.
"ROSETTA MARU"	H. S. Smith	3,876	Thursday, 26th November, at 11 A.M.
"ROHILLA MARU"	Ernest Boat	3,869	Tuesday, 1st December, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House
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EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
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(taking through cargo to NEW ZEALAND,
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Hongkong, 23rd November, 1903. [1230]

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FOR MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA,
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at NOON.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1903. [3180]

REGULAR
STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW
YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUET CANAL
WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPINE
PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903. About

"ORONO" ... 8th Dec.

"LOWTHER CASTLE" ... 15th Dec.

"SIKU" ... 24th Dec.

"SAGAMI" ... 5th Jan.

"LENONX" ... 15th Jan.

"AFRIDI" ... 27th Jan.

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Hongkong, 17th November, 1903. [1125]

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electric fans fitted in staterooms.

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Agents.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1903. [3231]

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG,"

65 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for
Canton at 8 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUES-
DAYS and THURSDAYS and return to
Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton
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First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Meals, \$1
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Cargo Freight very moderate.

J. T. TREVOUX & CO.,
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No. 123, Connaught Road Central,
Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. [1]

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Highly Charged Soda. Superb Ginger Ale.
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Letters and Post-cards are now received for transmission to Europe via Dalmatia and the Trans-Siberian Railway, and should be marked accordingly. No Printed matter can be accepted. The Rates of Postage by this route will be the same as at present via the Suez Canal.

The *König Albert*, with the German Mail left Singapore on Friday, the 20th inst., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The *Coptic*, with the American Mail, left Yokohama on Friday, the 20th inst., at Daylight and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 27th inst.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	P.B.B.	DATE
Canton		Wednesday, 25th, 7.30 A.M.
Qwanchowwan, Hsioh, Pakhoi and Haiphong		Wednesday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui		Wednesday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and		Wednesday, 25th, 10.00 A.M.
Tacoma		Wednesday, 25th, 10.00 A.M.
Bangkok		Wednesday, 25th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow		Wednesday, 25th,

Europe, &c., India via Tuti-corth.....
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents).....
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail).....

Macao.....
Straits and Calcutta.....
Manila.....
Ningpo and Shanghai.....
Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.....
Nantao.....
Sanbuc.....
Macao.....
Canton.....

Canton.....
Manila.....
Nagasaki, Yokohama and Kobe.....
Bangkok.....
Yap, Saipan, Ruk, Pompo, Kussai, Jaluit, Nauru, Ocean Island and Sydney.....
Macao.....
Shanghai.....
Nantao.....
Santuc.....
Macao.....
Canton.....
Canton Moji and Kobo.....
Macao.....
Nantao.....
Sanbuc.....
Macao.....
Canton.....
Canton.....
Manila.....
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.....
Manila.....
Macao.....
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria B.C. and Seattle U.S.A.
Nantao.....
Sanbuc.....
Macao.....

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO.....
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TO-DAY.

Sale, Stores, H.M. Naval Yard, Messrs. Hughes and Hough, 10 a.m.

Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Nursing Institution, City Hall, noon.

TO-MORROW.

Performance, Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

24th November.

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer.....
Bank Bills, on demand.....
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight.....
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight.....
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight.....

ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand.....
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight.....

ON GERMANY.—
On demand.....

ON NEW YORK.—
Bank Bills, on demand.....
Credits, 60 days' sight.....

ON BORNEO.—
Telegraphic Transfer.....
Bank, on demand.....

ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer.....
Bank, on demand.....

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, at sight.....

Private, 30 days' sight.....

ON YOKOHAMA.—
On demand.....

ON MANILA.—
On demand.....

ON SINGAPORE.—
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The N.Y.K. steamer *Sada Maru* (Bombay Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 23rd inst., at 1 p.m., and is expected here to-morrow, a.m.

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